

of them, or any portion of them, by the said commissioners to either of said companies, would be in the opinion of this legislature a violation of the intent and meaning of the said act of Assembly, and no such sale ought therefore to be made by them.

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The clerk of the senate returned the bill, entitled, a supplement to the act to fix and make permanent the salaries of certain officers of the civil government;

Also, the bill, entitled, an act to divorce Alice Green, of Prince George's county, from her husband Thomas Green;

Also, the bill, entitled, an act to divorce Thomas Mead, of Calvert county, from his wife Sophia Mead;

Severally endorsed "will pass," and the bills severally ordered to be engrossed;

Also, the bill, entitled, an act to divorce James I. Pattison, of the city of Baltimore, from his wife Eleanor Pattison, endorsed, "will not pass;"

Also, the resolution in favor of the present Governor of Maryland, endorsed, "assented to," and ordered to be engrossed;

And, delivered a bill, originated in and passed by the senate, entitled, an act to incorporate the Maryland Academy of the fine arts;

Which was read and referred to the committee on corporations.

And the following messages—

By the Senate,

March 6th, 1838.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates:

We have received your message proposing to determine this day, at 5 o'clock, the order in which the Gubernatorial districts shall be numbered, in the manner directed by the constitution, and respectfully suggest that we will be prepared to proceed tomorrow at 12 o'clock, to discharge that duty; and we further suggest that the ceremony be performed in the presence of both branches of the General Assembly.

By order,

Jos. H. Nicholson, Clerk.

By the Senate,

March 6, 1838.

Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

We have passed and herewith return to you the bill which originated in your honorable body, entitled, a supplement to the act to fix and make permanent the salaries of certain officers of the civil government. The senate would respectfully suggest, that there is an omission in that bill, which the senate cannot constitutionally supply by proposing amendments. The bill is a supplement to the act of 1828, ch. 197, which, among other officers, fixes the salary of the clerk of the senate. The constitution, as amended, devolves important and various duties, besides imposing new responsibilities, upon that officer, by reason of the senate being